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'Uniform tax for all commercial properties'

MCC Commissioner assures businessmen

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (RKB&BCT)- Under fire for levying what the traders have called unreasonable Property Tax for businesses, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has finally relented, providing a major relief to commercial property owners.

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy has assured that the classification of commercial properties for tax collection will be discontinued and Property Tax would henceforth be levied under the single category of 'Commercial' without categorising them as 'Commercial A' or 'Commercial B.'

MCC Commissioner G. Lakshmikantha Reddy holding a meeting of city traders and businessmen at Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) Office in city yesterday.

Meeting a delegation of traders and businessmen under the banner of Federation of Organisations and Associations of Mysuru at Vani Vilas Water Works Office here yesterday, the MCC Commissioner said that instead of categorising the commercial properties as 'A' and 'B' and levying taxes, tax for such properties would be levied entirely as 'Commercial' properties without any distinction in the extent of tax levied.

The meeting was called following widespread discontentment among the traders and businessmen over the commercial and super-commercial categorisation. They had objected to the MCC's move to launch a 'banner campaign' to recover Property Tax dues.

"The matter will be looked into and I will assure that there won't be any cut in basic amenities to the defaulters," the Commissioner said. He assured that after the 'Commercial A' and 'B' classifications are removed, Property Taxes would automatically come down.

Pending dues

"Pay all your pending taxes and there will not be any concession regarding payment of dues. If there are errors in the calculation, all of them would be rectified in the next Council meeting," the Commissioner Lakshmikantha Reddy said.

(See TAX on page 6)

HC evicts squatter from MUDA house; slaps fine

Of 12,145 MUDA houses, 208 under illegal occupation

Bengaluru/Mysuru, Nov. 17 (BCT)- Following a directive from the Karnataka High Court (HC), the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) has reclaimed a Medium Income Group (MIG) house that was being illegally occupied by a man for the past 21 years.

The house was built by MUDA for economically weaker sections at Bogadi Layout (No. 1) and it was occupied by G.M. Mahadeva. The High Court passed the eviction order on Nov. 9 while hearing a Writ Petition (8137/2021) and also imposed a fine of Rs. 6 lakh on him for squatting on public property.

The payment has to be made within six weeks at the rate of Rs. 30,000 per year though the rental value of the house is Rs. 7,500 per month. The Court was informed that of the 12,145 houses constructed by MUDA, 208 were under illegal occupation.

The Court also ordered the Government and MUDA to initiate legal proceedings against Mahadeva who interestingly is the petitioner in this case and had prayed the Court for legal allotment of the said property. **"This is a classic case of abuse of process of the Court and misuse of law as an instrument of fraud and harassment by the writ petitioner," the Court said.**

(See HC on page 6)

Norovirus cases in Wayanad: Mysuru alert

Virus mainly comes from stale food and contaminated water

Mysuru Health Department staff at Bavali check-post in H.D. Kote yesterday ready to screen travellers from Wayanad District.

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (MTY&BCT)- Health officers in Mysuru, Kodagu and Dakshina Kannada are on alert after at least 13 confirmed cases of Norovirus have been recorded in Kerala's Wayanad district. The disease was first reported in some students of a veterinary college in Pookode two weeks ago.

Norovirus is a contagious virus (water-borne) that is the most common cause of acute gastroenteritis. It is usually more common in cooler winter months, with most outbreaks occurring from November to April.

The most common symptoms are sudden onset of severe diarrhoea, vomiting, nausea and stomach cramps. Some people may also suffer from fever, headaches and body aches.

(See NOROVIRUS on page 6)

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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

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Moonlight Music on Nov.19

Vidushi Mahathi Raghuram

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Vidushi Mahathi Raghuram will present a vocal concert as part of the monthly moonlight music programme at Suttur Mutt in city on Nov. 19 at 6 pm.

Vidushi Mahathi will be accompanied by Vidushi C.V. Shruti and Vidwan Nandan Kashyap in the concert.

Vidushi Mahathi Raghuram, an emerging artiste of Karnatak music, is the granddaughter of Vidwan V. Deshikachar. After early music lessons from Vidushi R.N. Srilatha, Mahathi has performed in many prestigious musical concerts at Mysuru, Bengaluru, Mangaluru, Kerala and USA as well.

Vidushi C.V. Shruti too comes from a family of musicians. She had her initial music lessons from renowned violinist H.K. Narasimhamurthy. She was awarded 'Best instrumental musician' at Nadakishorotsava-2019 event and has bagged a scholarship from Karnataka Sangeetha-Nrutya Academy. She is a B Grade artiste with Mysuru Akashavani.

Vidwan Nandan Kashyap, a disciple of Mysuru's mridanga Vidwan V.S. Ramesh for 13 years, is now training under Vidwan Patri Satishkumar at Chennai. Competing in various musical contests, he has won many prizes.

Music-lovers can take part physically or can watch the event online through YouTube.

[http://Youtube.com/c/JSS Mahavidyapeethaonline

https:// www.facebook.com/JSSMVP]

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Visuals of millions of lamps lighting up the city of Ayodhya make our hearts swell with emotion. Do we all not celebrate Diwali because it was first celebrated in Ayodhya, many eons ago? The town is now standing at an important juncture in its history. Ayodhya is full of tirthas or sacred water bodies, despite the city being located on the banks of the perennial Sarayu River. All of these can be rejuvenated with their annual celebrations performed as prescribed. This might just help us reconnect and respect our water bodies and give another reason for pilgrims to visit the city.

India has always led the world spiritually. Divinity here has attracted pilgrims and travellers since time immemorial. Most of our pilgrimage places are displaced, with their original sacred geography distorted. Ayodhya gives us a unique opportunity to recreate the sacred geography that leverages modern technologies but stays rooted in the Indic philosophy of yatra. What is the Indic way to travel? Well, it is a deeply conscious travel to widen your horizon, learn, build your endurance and travel as much inwards as outwards. It is an opportunity to engage in serving others for instance through Gau Seva and charity like Anna Dana, to indulge in experiential learning of art and craft, to meet people unlike you from far and wide and exchange knowledge and experiences. It need not be your regular luxury holiday place with an artificial swimming pool. Instead of world cuisine on a platter, let the food from temples delight you the way it does in Puri. Let Ayodhya define, showcase and lead with an Indic model of tourism.

— Anuradha Goyal in The New Indian Express

NEWS SPARKLERS

Car crash leaves man with six-hour memory

Berlin: A German man, who survived a terrible car crash six years ago, was left unable to transfer short-term memories to his long-term memory, which means he forgets everything when he goes to sleep unless he writes them down.

Daniel Schmidt is lucky to be alive. In 2015, he was involved in a motorway accident that left him with severe physical and brain injuries. He underwent intensive phisyo and speech therapy to regain his ability to speak, but the one thing he couldn't get back was his memory. After sustaining level three traumatic brain injuries, Schmidt was rendered unable to transfer short-term memories into long-term, which means that whenever he goes to sleep at night, he forgets everything that happened that day, the people he met, the places he visited, the things he did, everything.

Man jumps in front of train to claim insurance

Nyircsaszari: A Hungarian man has been accused of jumping in front of a moving train and having both legs cut off by the metal wheels in order to claim over 3.2 million dollars in insurance payouts.

Sandor Cs., a 54-year-old man from the Hungarian village of Nyircsaszari, lost both of his legs in a horrific incident in 2014. He claimed that on July 30, 2014, he was walking near the train track when he happened to step on a piece of glass, which caused him to lose balance and fall in front of a speeding train. The injuries to both his legs were so severe that he had to have them both amputated. However, insurance companies are gathering evidence in an attempt to prove that Sandor deliberately jumped in front of a moving train in order to collect a fortune in payouts.

HEALTH CAPSULE

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Painting, singing contest

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (SSM)- Sneha Sinchana Trust and Makkala Kala Sahitya Parishat have organised a painting and Kannada songs singing contest on Nov. 22 at 10 am at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala in Saraswathipuram.

The painting competition is for children from LKG to 10th standard (four categories) and Kannada singing competition in three categories (0-9 years, 10-19 years, 20 years and above). Spot registrations are allowed. For details, contact M.N. Latha Mohan on Mob: 94818-31434 or Kousalya on Mob: 99459-10706, according to a press release from M. Padmini, Secretary, Sneha Sinchana Trust.

Applications invited for Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (SSM)- City's Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha has invited applications from meritorious students belonging to Vokkaliga community of Mysuru District, who have scored over 90 percent marks in SSLC and PUC (2021), for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar.

Eligible community students may submit applications along with marks card and passport size photo to the Office located at No.734/2, Kaatappa Garadi Road, 3rd Cross, Shivarampet, Mysuru, before Nov. 30.

For details contact N. Bettegowda, President, Akhila Karnataka Vokkaligara Mahasabha, on Mob: 98451-56788.

REALLY...?

- *Grapes light on fire in the microwave.*
- *Chewing gum is banned in Singapore.*
- *The average US household has 3,00,000 things in it.*

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Our booking office had three phones. One day during lunch, I was responsible for answering all of them. It was a constant repeat of "May I help you?" or "Will you hold?" I guess I got confused because I surprised one man on the other end of the line when I answered his call with, "May I hold you?"

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 74.52
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 99.95
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 20.29
1 Euro	= Rs. 84.14

COVID-19 UPDATE - MYSURU

	NOVEMBER 15	NOVEMBER 16
Day's Positive Cases	14	19
Total Positive Cases	1,79,403	1,79,422
Day's Discharges	20	19
Total Discharges	1,76,852	1,76,871
Day's Deaths	1	0
Total Deaths	2,428	2,428
Total Active Cases	123	123

NOTE: Figures as per Government Media Bulletin

VOICE OF THE READER

Excessive rain brings misery,
does not replenish ground-water

Sir,

Of late, the heavy rains in Mysuru have devastated the Chamundi Hill and caused misery to people living in low-lying residential areas through inundation. Sadly, despite the heavy rains, the ground-water table is unlikely to have risen much.

For much of this, we have ourselves to blame. In the first place, the climate change and unusually heavy rains are a consequence of indiscriminate felling of trees and unwarranted construction.

The grandiose plans of converting Chamundi Hill into a tourist attraction by disturbing the fragile stability of the hill-slopes, are not only ill-advised but also destructive in concept.

The citizens of our heritage city must raise their voice against this madness and must not allow this to happen. Instead, we must strengthen the stability of the hill-slopes through plantations and sound engineering practices that do not allow rain water to accumulate behind retaining structures.

As to the reasons why there is no replenishment of ground-water even when we have adequate rainfall, natural tanks or lakes which would have acted as receptacles for the water to flow into, have all but disappeared.

Civic authorities have allowed building construction on the natural flow channels or Raja Kaluves, thus blocking the passage of water into the tanks. This has led to the natural death of lakes and the excess water has nowhere to go and naturally enough, inundates the low-lying areas. We must claim the lost natural Kaluves and allow rejuvenation of lakes. This will help bring down the rising temperatures too.

The recent practice of house owners to pave the entire width of their houses with cement aprons, is another pernicious and illegal practice which prevents natural percolation of rain water into the ground. Rain-water just runs away on the asphalted roads and doesn't help in replenishing ground-water. Worse, the house owners claim proprietary rights over this apron and even wash them with potable water using hose pipes. The authorities should not be allowing this practice at all.

—Prof. A.S.R. Rao
Kuvempunagar
14.11.2021

MRC election on Nov. 30:
Six nominations valid

Mysuru, Nov. 17- The election for the posts of Stewards and Committee Members of Mysore Race Club (MRC) Limited will be held during the 53rd Annual General Meeting on Nov. 30 at 11 am. The following nominations have been declared valid and are eligible to contest the elections:

Stewards: G.K. Balakrishnan, AL.RM. Nagappan and G. Venkatesh. **Committee Members:** K.M. Chandre Gowda, Jayaraj Urs and A.K. Suresh, according to a press release from MRC.

Mysore Winter
Races postponed

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Due to persistent rains and inclement weather rendering the underfoot conditions of the race track not conducive for racing, the Mysore Race Club (MRC) Ltd. has postponed the fifth day of Mysore Winter Races 2021-22, which was scheduled to be held today (Nov. 17), to tomorrow (Nov. 18).

The same card will hold good for tomorrow's races also, according to a press release from Mysore Race Club Secretary and CEO NHS Mani.

Bahuroopi-2021

10-Day National Theatre Festival from Dec. 10

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Rangayana, Mysuru, will be hosting the annual 'Bahuroopi National Theatre Festival - 2021' at its premises in city from Dec. 10 to 19 with the theme 'Taayi (Motherhood).'

Apart from plays in Kannada and various other languages to be staged by theatre troupes from different States, the Theatre Festival will also feature Folk Art Performances, International Film Festival, National Seminar, Book Expo, Handicrafts Expo and Demonstrations among others spread across Bhoomigeeta, Kalamandira, Vanaranga, B.V. Karanth Rangachavadi, Sampath Rangamandira and Kindarijogi premises.

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Abel Boaz

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (BCT)- Founder and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Bengaluru-headquartered Abellian Finman, Abel S. Boaz has been featured in the November 2021 issue of Fortune India Exchange that lists 'Super 30 companies of 2021' that are adapting and deploying digital strategies and approaches at a rapid speed.

The magazine features companies and their heads who adopt a good work culture to increase motivation, maximise productivity and encourage collaboration. "These people are true inspiration for anyone who wants to learn about keeping pace with changing dynamics of markets," said the editor's note.

Abel, a resident of Gokulam in Mysuru, founded Abellian Finman in 2016 and helps companies strategise and increase revenue growth. It provides financial and management advisory and consulting services to clients pan India and abroad.

The company, having 48 employees and branches in Mumbai and Pune, caters to small, medium and large sized enterprises including start-ups and unicorns seeking financial services. It helps firms align businesses with their financial potential, and equip them to fully optimise their available capacities.

"They (Abellian Finman) try to unlock the financial potential of their clients and scale their businesses. They are focused on becoming India's most trusted cost management and value creation company. They have been adding value, one client at a time and helming projects to help clients increase their savings," says the Fortune India Exchange feature.

Abel did his schooling at Ideal Jawa Rotary School and went on to distance education mode to complete his graduation and BBA. He did his Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) course in London and worked as an intern at Barclays before he founded his own company. His parents Satish Boaz and Beulah Boaz, both retired from medical service, reside in Mysuru.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Shivadeepotsava

Marking Full Moon Day, a Shivadeepotsava (Kruttikotsava) ritual will take place at Suttur Mutt at Suttur in Nanjangud taluk on the evening of Nov. 19. The ritual will be followed by Shivadeekshe-Lingadeekshe at 6 pm, a presentation of devotional songs at 7 pm and Mahamangalaarathi and Prakarotsava at 8 pm. Suttur Mutt Seer Sri Shivaratri Deshikendra Swamiji will grace the occasion.

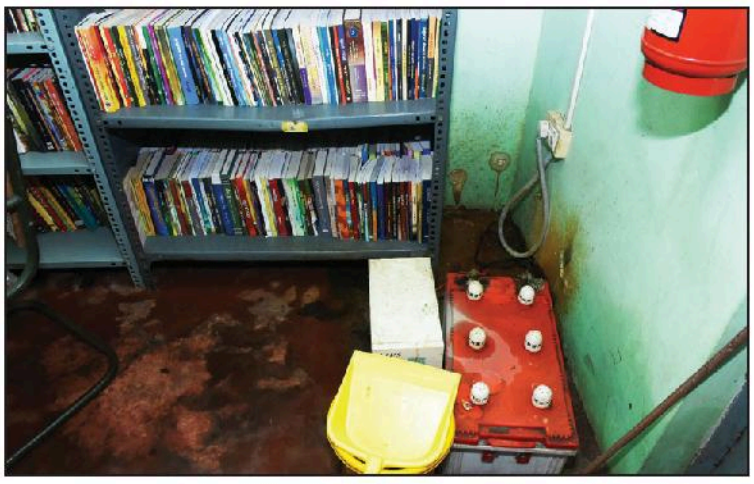
Applications Invited

The District Disability Rehabilitation Centre (DDRC) has invited applications from eligible candidates for filling up of following vacant posts based on monthly honorarium in city: P&O Engineer (P&O Engineering Degree/ Diploma with 2 to 5 years experience), Accountant - Clerk (B.Com degree with computer and Tally knowledge with 2 to 3 years experience), Computer Operator (Any degree with computer knowledge and 2 years experience). Interested may submit their application along with a copy of resume, education and experience certificate at the DDRC, Dept. for the Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens, before Nov. 30 before 5 pm. [Ph: 0821-2490222 or 2490333 or Mob: 99452-43544].

Entrance Test

Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) will be conducting an entrance test for admission to vacant seats in 9th standard (2022-23) on Apr. 9, 2022. Eligible students can apply online — ***www.navodaya.gov.in*** OR ***www.nvsadmissionclassnine.in*** — before Nov. 30.

'Knowledge Temples' leaking in city



Mysuru, Nov. 17 (MK&KS)- With libraries not maintained periodically, most of these 'Knowledge Temples' across the city are leaking during rains and these buildings are becoming dilapidated and may collapse if steps are not taken to repair these library buildings soon.

Many libraries lack staff and funds for regular maintenance. Also, the negligence by officials and elected representatives are some of the causes for these library buildings to dilapidate.

There are 33 libraries in city out of which the maintenance of libraries on Vishwamanava Double Road in Kuvempunagar, at People's Park in Nazarbad, near Govt. Ayurveda Hospital Circle and in Hebbal are undertaken by the Public Libraries Department. The rented library buildings at Jayalakshmipuram and Gandhinagar and the libraries in Mysuru Central Prisons, Karnataka State Reserve Police (KSRP), District Armed Reserve (DAR) and City Armed Reserve (CAR) premises come under Public Libraries Department.

Barring Kuvempu Mobile Library, Community Children's Centre Library at People's Park and the libraries at Siddarthanagar and Brindavan Layout, the remaining 17 libraries come under Mysuru City Corporation (MCC). Except for Kuvempu Mobile Library and a few new libraries, most of the library buildings have become dilapidated and rain water is seeping through the roof.

The roof of library buildings at Subashnagar, Basaveshwara Road, Chamarajapuram, Gayathripuram 1st Stage and on Vishwamanava Double Road are dilapidated and rain water is leaking from the roofs which is destroying books and furniture.

Meanwhile, B.S. Vikas, a regular library goer, said that rain water was leaking from the roof of the Public Library at Chamarajapuram, which is destroying books. He also said that the leaking rain water was entering the electric switch box in the library resulting is electric shock to those who try to switch on the lights. "Though the matter was brought to the notice of the library staff, they casually say that they cannot do anything about it."

A few library goers said that the MCC collects 6 percent cess for library maintenance when Property Tax is collected and the MCC should give about Rs. 5 to Rs. 6 lakh every year for the maintenance of libraries. They added that the Civic Body has not given the same and has kept the dues to the tune of Rs. 20 crore. How can the maintenance of libraries and its development be taken up when money collected for the purpose is not given and who will be responsible if the library buildings collapse? they questioned.

Meanwhile, Deputy Director of Public Libraries Department B. Manjunath said that the Department has urged the MCC Commissioner to release funds for repairs and maintenance of library buildings and even the Government has issued order to pay the dues.

"Many students coming to the libraries are facing a lot of problems and a few students have also complained about it. But how can the Department take up repair and maintenance works when funds are not released," Manjunath said.

An officer of the Public Libraries Department, speaking to *SOM*, said that in all 33 libraries, only 17 permanent employees are working and 55 people are employed on contract basis. There is shortage of staff even if three people are employed in each library, he added.

The officer further said that due to shortage of staff, it is not possible to keep vigil on those coming to the library. Who will be responsible if books are stolen? he questioned.

WATER LEVEL

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Maximum	:	124.80	feet
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Maximum	:	2,284.00	feet
Today	:	2,283.94	feet
Inflow	:	2,875	cusecs
Outflow	:	3,125	cusecs

HARANGI DAM

Maximum	:	2,859.00	feet
Today	:	2,857.90	feet
Inflow	:	1,102	cusecs
Outflow	:	600	cusecs

MCC begins disconnecting water pipes linked to UGDs from terraces

Rs. 2,000 fine to be imposed if residents do not cut off pipes themselves

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (RK&KS)- With many house owners connecting pipes from terrace to Underground Drainage (UGD) pipes to let rain water flow into it, which is resulting in rainwater mixed sewage water overflowing from manholes as the UGD pipes cannot bear such pressure, the officials of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) have begun an operation to disconnect such connections in city.

The officials of the UGD Division of MCC and Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW), who have commenced the task of disconnecting rainwater pipes from terraces which are attached to UGD pipes in all nine Zones of the MCC, have warned the house owners who have

connected rain water pipes to UGDs to disconnect such connections themselves and let rain water flow into open storm water drains, failing which the officials warned of imposing Rs. 2,000 fine on house owners.

In all 65 Wards of MCC in city, about 1.5 lakh houses have such connections and if the staff and officials of MCC go to such houses to disconnect rain water pipes attached to UGDs, the house owners do not allow the MCC to cut off such pipes, but also bring in recommendations from Corporators, MLAs, MP and other elected representatives against disconnecting the pipes which is posing a challenge to the MCC.

At present, the MCC is disconnecting such pipes from under-construction houses and from houses which are nearing completion. Only the illegal pipe connection to UGD is being disconnected as there is no one to object.

The drive to disconnect such illegal connections is led by the Zonal Officers of all nine Zones of the MCC, which will continue and MCC Superintending Engineer Mahesh has urged the residents to co-operate with the staff.

Tiger that was gored by elephant dies at Mysuru Zoo

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (MTY&KS)- A seven-year-old male tiger, which was seriously injured after an elephant had gored its back in a fight at Bandipur Tiger Reserve and undergoing treatment at Mysuru Zoo, has succumbed to injuries on Monday night.

On Oct. 20, an elephant had gored the tiger at Ganjikatte Safari Range in Bandipur in such a way that the intestines and lungs of the tiger was visible through the hole made by the elephant's tusk. The Forest Department staff, who saw the tiger seriously injured and writhing in pain, rescued the tiger and shifted it to Mysuru Zoo.

Zoo veterinarians, who began treating the injured tiger immediately, saw two large holes near the tiger's stomach. After taking suggestions from senior vets, the Zoo doctors successfully performed surgeries on the tiger.

After a few days of undergoing surgeries, the tiger seemed to recover, began consuming food and the digestion process was also good.

A file photo of the tiger that succumbed to injuries on Monday.

The injured tiger was brought to Mysuru Zoo from Bandipur in a critical state. After taking suggestions from higher officials and veterinarians, a surgery was performed on the tiger. Though it was seen that the tiger was recovering, severe infection had developed due to deep wounds and despite trying everything to save the tiger, it died. During post-mortem, it came to be known that there was severe infection in its stomach and also there were damages to its organs.

—Ajit M. Kulkarni, Executive Director, Mysuru Zoo

But the tiger died Monday night and as per the rules, post-mortem was conducted and the tiger was cremated.

DC asks officials to prepare error-free electoral rolls

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (DM)- With no scope for carrying out corrections in the electoral rolls at the Deputy Commissioner's Office, Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham has asked the electoral personnel of the district to be careful and watchful while preparing the voter list.

Dr. Bagadi Gautham

He was speaking at a video-conference with Electoral Officers of the District in the backdrop of Legislative Council Polls from Local Authorities Constituencies that is scheduled to take place on Dec. 10, at his office here on Monday.

Pointing out that the scrutiny of electoral rolls can be done in a short period, the DC asked the officials to pay special attention in respect of addition and deletion of names in the voters list and also stressed on the need for an error-free electoral rolls.

Referring to the Model Code of Conduct, Dr. Bagadi Gautham said it has come to light that some prospective candidates were carrying out poll campaigns in Government vehicles at Chamarajanagar and Nanjangud.

Noting that such vehicles will be seized, the DC said that holding of meetings, functions and the like have been banned. The Tahsildar and other top officials have been directed to use their authority to ensure proper maintenance of the Model Code of Conduct in their respective limits.

Asking the officials to use their discretion in granting permission for family functions, he emphasised that unnecessary programmes must not be given permission. He also instructed officials to check stocking and sale of liquor and to ensure a free and fair conduct of elections.

ZP CEO A.M. Yogesh, SP R. Chethan, Additional DC Dr. B.S. Manjunathaswamy, DCP Pradeep Gunti, Assistant Commissioner Kamala Bai, MCC Assistant Commissioner (Admin) Savitha and other officials took part.

Portion of Senthil Kote at Srirangapatna crashes

Srirangapatna, Nov. 17 (Vinay Karekura&BCT)- A portion of the historic Senthil Kote at Srirangapatna built during the rule of Vijayanagara kings has collapsed due to incessant rains. While the top portion of the fort along with railings has collapsed, wide cracks are seen around the fort, threatening the structure.

Senthil Kote is a place where the annual Dasara wrestling competition is held and the collapsed portion is located towards the east of Sri Ranganathaswamy Temple. Though the place is historically important, the Department of Archaeology, Museums and Heritage has done little to save it and has only erected a signboard in front of the fort.

Poacher arrested for hunting deer

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (KS)- The Forest Department personnel have arrested a poacher for hunting a deer and have seized the deer carcass from him. The Forest staff have launched a hunt to nab two others, who are absconding.

The arrested poacher has been identified as 50-year-old Puttaswamy Gowda of Chakkodanahalli village, Kasaba hobli in H.D. Kote taluk. He killed the deer near Nettal Basaveshwara Anti-Poaching Camp in Dattahalla Beat. The Forest staff are on a look out for Puttaswamy's accomplices 45-year-old Nagesh and 50-year-old Thimma of the same village. On inspecting the house, the Forest staff found three snares which are used to trap wild animals in the house of Nagesh and have seized them.

A case has been registered against the accused at Metikuppe Wildlife Range and Puttaswamy has been remanded to judicial custody.

Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) D. Mahesh Kumar guided Metikuppe Wildlife Sub-Division Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Mahadev, who is investigating. Range Forest Officer (RFO) Sanosh Hugar, Deputy Range Forest Officer (DRFO) Shivakumar, Forest Guard Vital Rathod, Forest Watchers Indresh, Mahadevaswamy, Dasa and Ravi took part in the nabbing and seizing operation.

MP writes to DC on clearing Raja Kaluve and Lake encroachments

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Even as the city's drainage system is under severe strain due to incessant rains since the past few days, MP Pratap Simha has written a letter to Deputy Commissioner Dr. Bagadi Gautham seeking to clear Raja Kaluve and Lake encroachments in and around city.

Pointing out that he visited many areas in the city following reports of flooding, he said that he found many houses in Anandnagar, Ashraya Layout, AIISH Layout, CFTRI Layout, Bogadi Second Stage, Dattagalli and other surrounding areas inundated with water. Also, it was found that encroachments of Raja Kaluves and Lakes in the vicinity were responsible for such a flooding, he said adding that the boundary of Bogadi, Hinkal, Lingambudhi, Rayanakere and such other Lakes should be marked by conducting a chain survey. Chain survey will help in accurate boundary fixing and also in preventing encroachments, the MP said in the letter.

Nagathihalli Chandrashekar opens three-day 'Yuvajanotsava' in city

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (PM&KS)- "Horticulture has its own importance because it is related to soil and farmers. But the importance given to other products is not being given to horticulture and agriculture produces," regretted noted Filmmaker Nagathihalli Chandrashekar.

He was speaking after inaugurating the three-day 'Yuvajanotsava' (Youth Festival), organised by the University of Horticultural Sciences (UHS), Bagalkot at the Convocation Bhavan of Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) on Hunsur Road here this morning.

The Youth Festival 'Udyaana Yuvakalarava-2021' is being held from today till Nov. 19, during which students from nine Horticulture Colleges coming under UHS will be taking part.

Pointing out that there were 356 billion youths in the country out of which 60 percent of them were rural talents who were facing unemployment, Nagathihalli said that the unemployment problem can be solved if these rural talents take up horticulture and be self-employed.

He said that though there were more than 200 schemes for youths in both Central and State Governments, not even 15 percent of these schemes reach villages.

Stating that villages are the mother roots of the country and the country cannot prosper without agriculture, the Filmmaker said that Yuvajanotsava acts as a platform for culture exchange and also to meet new people for exchange of knowledge.

KSOU Vice-Chancellor Prof. S. Vidyashankar, who too spoke said that India was stepping towards development and the whole world was watching the country, he added that even investments were taking place in agriculture sector which would boost the economy of country.

Earlier, a procession, comprising folk troupes and students dressed in their traditional attire was taken out from the statue of Rashtrakavi Kuvempu at the entrance of Manasagangothri campus to KSOU premises.

Various competitions such as light music, patriotic songs singing, group songs, skits, quiz, on the spot drawing, poster making, mono acting, clay modelling, debate, cartoon drawing etc. will be held during the three days. The valedictory will be held on Nov. 19 at 6 pm.

Registrar of University of Horticultural Sciences, Bagalkot, Dr. T.B. Allolli, UHS Managing Committee Members Dr. M. Shivamurthy, B. Sumithradevi, Dr. M.S. Kulakarni, Dean of Horticulture University, Bengaluru, Dr. B.J. Prakash and others were present.

Uniform tax for all

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On the outstanding taxes, the Federation complained to the Commissioner that the MCC staff threatened the traders with dire consequences if taxes were not paid. "We are ready to pay taxes but banners are pasted in front of properties that have just one year of pending taxes and they are being projected as having a backlog of 10 years," they alleged. The Commissioner assured the Federation that the staff would be directed to treat businessmen in a fair way.

Less taxes in the offing

In a separate press statement, the Federation said that the MCC Commissioner assured de-classifying of commercial taxes into one category which is expected to ease the tax burden on Choultries, cinema theatres, commercial complexes, lodges and others from the next taxation year. The Commissioner has assured of placing the proposal before the next Council meeting, the release said.

The Commissioner also assured that as per the demand from traders, the issue of imposing additional taxes while issuing trade licences and levying more taxes on ACs and Generators would also be looked into by the Council. "We are ready to issue trade licences to those who are running the trades with valid NoCs," he added.

"The Council will decide on the tax for properties that lack Completion Report (CR) while issuing trade licences. For old buildings, the tax is collected based on the current construction cost. The traders want the tax to be devalued when the building gets older. This issue too will be brought to the notice of the Council," Lakshmikantha Reddy said.

'B' Khatas to properties

A decision will be taken in the next Council meeting to introduce the procedure of issuing 'B' Khatas to properties, thereby generating revenue to the MCC. On the issue of additional cess collected for vacant sites, the Commissioner told the Federation that the MCC has no powers to act on certain matters which could only be brought to the notice of the State Government. "However, we will make honest efforts to sort out issues that can be solved locally," he added.

Federation President B.S. Prashanth, Vice-President C. Narayana Gowda, office-bearers Vinay Venkatesh, K.R. Sathyanarayana, Manoj Shenoy, S.K. Dinesh, A. Sudheendra, Veerabhadrappa, MCC Deputy Commissioner N.M. Shashikumar, Trade Licencing Officer Roopa and others were present at the meeting.

HC evicts squatter

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Armed with the Court order, MUDA evicted the occupant from the house yesterday and has taken the property into its possession. The present market value of the house is estimated to be Rs. 75 lakh. While reclaiming the house, MUDA Assistant Executive Engineer Kiran, Assistant Engineer Lohit and staff were present.

Delivering the eviction orders, Justice Krishna S. Dixit observed that no allotment of land can be claimed by a person who gains entry into public property by hooliganism and continues to occupy it on the mere ground that he belongs to an oppressed class.

Relying on verbal assurance

Mahadeva claimed that he occupied the house as per the verbal assurance given by engineers in 2000 and challenged the Jan. 25, 2021 endorsement issued by MUDA that all vacant houses will be auctioned as per rules. The Court noted that no material particulars were forthcoming with regard to the assurance given by engineers.

"Going by the records, the petitioner — claiming to be a member of the oppressed class and as a journalist — has harassed high-ranking officials by dragging them to the National Commission for Scheduled Castes, Karnataka State Human Rights Commission and Karnataka SC/ST Commission. The Commissions have strangely been lenient and indulgent to the petitioner though he made an unjustifiable claim," the Court observed.

"As the petitioner has contested for the State Assembly Election from Chamundeshwari Constituency, he is not naïve to the public life and public morality, to justify his seeking protection at the hands of SC/ST Commission or this Court. In fact, such persons spoil the social image of oppressed classes; the happenings of such things should be oppressed by the iron hand of the Court," Justice Krishna Dixit observed.

"The petitioner claims to be the State President of the Association of Small and Medium Newspapers of India. He also claims to be the editor and publisher of 'Rashtrakraanthi' newspaper. Strangely, the registered office of the Association is shown to be in the subject house. These things can happen only in 'Alice in Wonderland' and this is a fit case for imposing exemplary and penal costs," the Court observed.

Norovirus cases in Wayanad

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These symptoms usually start 12 to 48 hours after being infected by Norovirus and typically last about one to three days.

The alert issued by the State Health Department to the three districts say that at least a dozen more in Kerala are showing the symptoms. The district administrations of Mysuru, Kodagu and Dakshina Kannada which share a border with Kerala have been instructed to step up field surveillance at borders and.

Water sources shared at a community level like community wells must be safeguarded and consuming drinking water disinfected with chlorine has been advised. Pre-emptive screening is not possible unless people show symptoms like nausea or diarrhoea. People have been advised not to eat stale food from hotels and not to consume water that has not been chlorinated.

Mysuru District Health Officer Dr. K.H. Prasad told *Star of Mysore* that there is not much of a danger but people must exercise caution. "Norovirus is not airborne unlike COVID and there is not much of a threat. People who already have viral infections like dengue must be careful with Norovirus as the infection may become severe," he said.

It is a zoonotic virus and mainly comes from stale food and contaminated water. People must drink only warm water and hotels must serve only freshly cooked food. "We have stepped up surveillance at the Bavali check-post at H.D. Kote as it is the entry point from Kerala's Wayanad. "Every day up to 200 vehicles take this route and we are doing temperature surveillance of visitors to see if they are feverish. We also screen Wayanad visitors coming from Chamarajanagar's Gundlupet."

108 dengue cases, two deaths recorded in Mysuru district

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (MTY&KS)- Continuous rains and stagnation of rain water in almost all places in the district, have resulted in breeding of mosquitoes which may give rise to dengue cases. Hence it is important to clean the overhead water tanks, underground water sumps at least once in a week and it is also important to keep the surroundings of houses clean to prevent breeding of mosquitoes, said District Health Officer (DHO) Dr. K.H. Prasad.

He further said that the Health and Family Welfare Department, along with COVID vaccination drives, was also working towards preventing the spread of epidemic diseases.

Pointing out that the Health Department staff and volunteers were working to prevent the spread of epidemic diseases among people in the midst of COVID work, Dr. Prasad said that from January to November this year, the district had recorded 108 dengue cases and two dengue patients, each in Periyapatna and Mysuru taluks, had died. Stating that 28 dengue cases have been traced in the last two months, the DHO said that there were chances of epidemic diseases including dengue to spread rapidly as there was rain water stagnation everywhere and advised the people to take precautions against mosquito bites.

Dr. Prasad said that apart from two dengue deaths, the remaining dengue affected patients have recovered and added that as mosquitoes would increase after the rain stops, ASHA workers will be conducting door-to-door survey and other programmes besides stating that awareness was also being created among people to keep the surroundings of their houses free of stagnant water as it would prevent malaria and dengue causing mosquitoes from breeding.

Clean water tanks and sumps once a week to prevent mosquito breeding: DHO

COVID vaccination

Stating that first dose of COVID vaccination has been administered to 22 lakh people and second dose has been given to 13 lakh people, Dr. Prasad said that the Health Department staff and ASHA workers were visiting door-to-door and encouraging those who have not taken COVID vaccination to take the same at the earliest.

Death to COVID vaccination

Pointing out that it was wrong to say that a resident of Ashokapuram had died after COVID vaccine was administered to him, Dr. Prasad said that the deceased was suffering from heart ailments which may be the reason for his death.

He further said that the Health staff has been asked to enquire COVID vaccine beneficiary repeatedly if he or she was suffering from any diseases or taking medication before administering COVID vaccine to them. But despite asking vaccine beneficiaries many times there were chances of a few of them not revealing about their diseases or treatment, hence the Health staff have been advised to ask COVID vaccine beneficiary two or three times about their health and treatment before administering the vaccine.

Hazarath Tipu Sultan birthday celebrated

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (KS)- Hazarath Tippu Sultan Shaheed Welfare & Urus Committee, Tippu Hall, Meena Bazar on Sawday Road, under the leadership of Committee Secretary Afroz Pasha, celebrated the birthday of Tipu Sultan at a function organised at Allah Malik House, on Ashoka Road cross in city recently.

A delegation led by Afroz Pasha, reached Tipu Tomb at Srirangapatna and offered Fatha Khawni, which was read by Hazarath Moulana Irshad Alam Ashrafi and Hazarath Moulana Mohd. Younus Subhani Razvi, Secretary, Markazi Majlees Ulme Ahle Sunnath Jamath. Later, Afroz Pasha spread flower mats on the tombs of Hazarath Tipu Sultan and his parents.

After Fatha Khawni and Darud-o-Salam, prayers were held for the eradication of COVID. Afroz Pasha spoke on the life and achievements of Tipu Sultan.

Organizing Secretary of Masjid-e-Moula Hussain at Sathyanagar Khwaja Mohammed Musheer Chishti, Tousif Ahmmed Khan of R.K. Palace Convention Centre in Udayagiri, DCC Mysuru Member Radiulla Khan, Congress leader Rehamath Ulla alias Tippu, social worker Mirza Jamsheed Baig Ashrafi, Syed Nayaz Pasha, Sadiq Pasha, Trustees of Majlees Ulme Ahle Sunnath Jamath Trust and others were present.

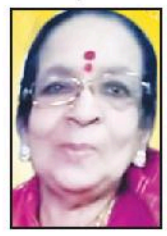
Obituary

Savithramma

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Savithramma (96), wife of late Keshavaiah and a resident of Lakshmikanthanagar in Hebbal, passed away this morning at her residence.

She leaves behind sons Gopalakrishnamurthy and Subramanya, six daughters, grandchildren and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this evening.

Manjula S. Rao



Manjula S. Rao (78), wife of freedom fighter late T.V. Srinivasa Rao, passed away this morning at her residence in Chamundipuram.

She leaves behind three sons — T.S. Ravishankar [KPCC Member and former President of Mysuru City (District) Congress Committee], Venkatesh Tagadoor and Anil Tagadoor (both Software Engineers working at US) — two daughters Dr. Sujatha S. Rao (Gynaecologist and former IMA Mysuru President and Gen. Secretary of KPCC Doctors Cell) and Vijayalakshmi Narendran (a home-maker). Last rites will be performed on Nov. 19 at the foot of Chamundi Hill in city.

Foreign students returning but below pre-COVID levels

Mysuru, Nov. 17 (RK&BCT)- The dark clouds cast by COVID over the admission of foreign students to the University of Mysore (UoM) has finally lifted with many students enrolling to various courses offered by the University, its constituent Colleges and also Private Colleges.

Since last year, the number of students arriving from offshore destinations dwindled, posing an unprecedented challenge to international education. The number of foreign students in the University drastically came down. When Universities abruptly shut down because of the Coronavirus pandemic, many students returned to their parents' homes.

Now the number of students taking admissions is going up as travellers from 99 countries, who are fully-vaccinated, have now been exempted from mandatory quarantine on arrival in India, according to revised guidelines from the Centre.

Passengers from the United States, Great Britain, Israel, France, Germany, Spain, Australia, Belgium, Bangladesh, Finland, Croatia, Hungary, Russia, the Philippines, Qatar, Singapore, Sri Lanka, United Arab Emirates (UAE), Turkey and Nepal are some of the countries that feature on the exempted list.

The exemption follows India's agreement with some of the 99 nations on "mutual recognition of [COVID-19] vaccination certificates" of nationally recognised or the World Health Organisation (WHO) recognised vaccines.

Every year, over 400 to 600 foreign students enrol for academic programmes in the University and its affiliated Colleges. A majority of foreign students, who come to Mysuru for studies, are from African countries, Tajikistan, Afghanistan, South Korea, China, Fiji, Sri Lanka and Nepal.

In 2019, there were over 700 foreign students from 58 countries who had taken admissions. Following the pandemic, their numbers trickled down to double digits. Post-pandemic and post-vaccination, however, the number has touched the 600 mark, still a bit less when compared to the pre-COVID levels.

Prof. G.R. Janardhana, Director of International Centre, told *Star of Mysore* that in 2021, only 311 foreign students had applied for various courses. Now the number has reached 600 and in the near future, as more and more people travel for education, the number will go up to 1,000 or 1,100 as Mysuru has always been a preferred education destination, he said.

"Popular courses include MBA, commerce, computer applications and there have been enquiries from China, Afghanistan, Iran, Maldives, Russia, Yemen, South Korea, Kazakhstan, Nepal, Bangladesh and Sri Lanka," he added.

The University offers good facilities including food, accommodation, medical care and consular access. There are fully furnished private accommodations outside the University. Mysore University has an exclusive International Centre that provides appropriate support services to international faculty and students.

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How to prevent heart attack related deaths in young adults?

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After the unfortunate and premature demise of Kannada matinee idol Puneeth Rajkumar, there has been increased awareness and lot of panic in the young adults in the State regarding their health, particularly the heart. It has resulted in a large number of them coming to hospitals for cardiac check-ups.

Fortunately, almost all of them are fine and have no evidence of heart disease. It is also true that we have seen an almost 50 percent increase in incidence of heart attack in the young and our ICU statistics reveal that almost 60 percent of our patients in the ICU are less than 60 years of age. We need to introspect and educate our citizens regarding this.

Why is heart disease increasing in the young adults?

It is mainly due to the following factors: Smoking, obesity, lack of exercise, unhealthy eating habits, alcohol consumption, increase in stress and a very abnormal sleep cycle. Most young adults now-a-days sleep well after midnight and wake up late, hence causing imbalance in their hormones, leading to abnormal nerve activity and increasing risk of high blood pressure, blood clots and resultant heart attack and stroke.

Why do heart attack patients die suddenly?

Many heart patients die suddenly known as Sudden Cardiac Death. Death occurs within 1 hour of onset of chest pain. Like Puneeth Rajkumar, many heart attack patients die within few minutes of the chest pain or on the way to the hospital before initiation of treatment. Sudden Cardiac Death is due to a complication called "Ventricular Fibrillation" or a very rapid irregular heart beating followed by complete standstill of the heart, called "Cardiac Arrest." A DC shock delivered with a defibrillator can instantaneously correct the ventricular fibrillation and reverse the cardiac arrest.

How can we prevent Sudden Cardiac Death?

The most important aspect of prevention is time. If the person can reach the hospital immediately, many of these patients can be saved. Once the patient reaches the hospital, chances of survival are greater than 95 percent. Shifting the patient with chest pain by ambulance rather than by a personal vehicle can be life-saving.

Well-equipped ambulance with Oxygen, Defibrillator and trained personnel can monitor the ECG and treat complications in the ambulance to prevent sudden cardiac death. Hence, we need access to an extremely efficient Emergency Healthcare System with well-equipped ambulance and trained staff if we have to save our patients with heart attack.

What is the best treatment for heart attack?

Heart attack occurs due to complete blockage of an artery supplying blood to the heart. Larger the artery blocked, larger is the attack, larger the damage to the heart and higher the risk of complication. Earlier the blood supply is restored to the heart muscle, smaller is the damage and faster is the recovery. The best treatment to clear the blockage and restore blood supply to heal the heart attack is by Angioplasty and Drug Eluting Stent implantation. This is called Primary Angioplasty and 95 percent of patients with heart attack will survive if the Angioplasty is done within 1 hour of onset of pain - called the Golden Hour.

Who are the adults at risk of heart attack?

All adults above the age of 40 years with risk factors of smoking, high blood pressure, diabetes, obesity, high cholesterol, severe stress (stress can be emotional stress, financial stress or even physical stress or extreme exercise), family history of heart disease and lack of exercise are at risk of heart attack.

Those with more than one of the above risk factors need to have a complete health check up on a yearly basis and treat the risk factors adequately to reduce their chances of attack.

Can heart attack be prevented?

Heart attack can be prevented to a great extent and postponed by more than 10 years by following a healthy lifestyle.

- Early to bed and early to rise.
- Regular exercise at least 30 minutes daily (60 minutes if you are overweight).
- Maintain blood pressure less than 140 / 90mg / dl.
- Maintain blood sugar less than 120mg/dl fasting and less than 180mg/dl post prandial.
- Maintain LDL (bad) cholesterol less than 70mg/dL.
- Achieve and maintain ideal weight for height.
- (Height in cms minus 100, for a height of 170cms, ideal weight would be around 70kg).
- Achieve ideal abdominal girth to prevent Central Obesity (Ideal waist circumference is 50 percent of the height).
- Consume a predominant fruit and vegetable diet with small amounts of fish/chicken and minimal animal fat and red meat.
- Completely avoid smoking and minimise alcohol — maximum of 2 drinks per week.
- A healthy lifestyle is the best option to prevent various non-communicable diseases like Heart Attack, Stroke, Cancer, Diabetes, Hypertension and Obesity.

'Doctor advises annual Mammography'

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Family Planning Association of India (FPA India), Mysuru Branch, in association with Bharath Cancer Hospital, Mysuru, observed World Breast Cancer Month-2021 recently.

Dr. S.N. Hegde. Hon Chairperson, FPA India, Mysuru Branch, presided.

Dr. K.G. Srinivas, Senior Consultant, Medical Oncology, briefed on Breast Cancer and said that nowadays the lifestyle and obesity are the main factors for Breast Cancer.

He advised the audience to get married at the right time and start family from 20 years to 28 years. Stating that screening is better than getting disease after 40 years, he suggested it is better to undergo Mammography annually.

Dr. S.S. Malini, Member of Ad-hoc Committee, FPA India, Mysuru Branch, spoke about ill-effects of fast-food and lack of physical activities.

Rtn. Sunil Baliga, Chairman, Rotary Ivory City Mysuru, was present. Bijimole, Branch Manager, welcomed gathering. Devika proposed a vote of thanks.

"Systematic planning is Dharmasthala's secret"

Mysuru, Nov. 17- "Brand Dharmasthala is unique by itself. Whatever projects or works are implemented by them, it will be professional and delivered with quality to the people. The Systematic Planning is the secret of Dharmasthala. RUDSET is one such Institute doing yeoman service to society and rural unemployed youths at large," opined Dr. Arpitha Pratap Simha, social activist and wife of Pratap Simha, Mysuru-Kodagu MP.

She was speaking at the valedictory programme of Beauty Parlour Management and Women Tailor batch that concluded at RUDSET Institute here recently.

"The Institute provides different skill training programmes to women with a professional touch. The trainees should use their skills to become job givers," opined H. Somashekar, former Director-General, National Academy of RUDSETI (NAR), Bengaluru, who was also present on the occasion.

K.N. Ananda Nayaka, Director, in his presidential address, observed that many dignitaries were visiting RUDSETI with a curiosity about its functioning.

N. Prasanna Kumar, Administrative Officer, SDME Society, Nagarathna Prasanna Kumar, Soorya Prakash, DST - Photography and Linganna, former Director, National Centre for Excellence of RSETIs (NACER), were also present along with staff members of RUDSET Institute. Certificates were distributed to the trainees, who too spoke on the occasion.

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Nov. 17- **B. Lokesh** has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the University of Mysore (UoM) for his thesis 'Dalitha Chaluvali mattu Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Mylahally Revanna.

V.V. Manju has been awarded Ph.D in Physics by the Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi for his thesis 'Study on characteristics of cotton fibres using various analytical methods' submitted under the guidance of Dr. S. Divakar.

'Puneeth Namana' at Palace Grounds in Bengaluru

CM announces Karnataka Ratna posthumously for 'Power Star'

Bengaluru, Nov. 17 (Agencies)- Many prominent members of the Kannada Film Industry and top leaders of the Karnataka Government convened for a special event in honour of late Puneeth Rajkumar. The event, called 'Puneeth Namana,' was organised at the Palace Grounds in Bengaluru to pay tributes and also celebrate his life as a grand retrospect with wife Ashwini and youngest daughter Vanditha too in attendance. Eldest daughter Dhriti left for US a couple of days ago to continue her studies.

Larger than life posters of "Appu", as the actor was affectionately known, lined the road to the venue. His family members — visibly overwhelmed with emotions — were also present at the event. Puneeth Rajkumar had died of a heart attack on Oct. 29 at the age of 46. The Palace Grounds reverberated with heart-touching songs, emotional videos and poignant speeches dedicated to 'Power Star.'

'Puneeth Namana' was organised by the Karnataka Film Chamber of Commerce (KFCC) in association with the Sandalwood Film Actors' and Technicians' Association. KFCC President S.R. Govindu urged all fans to cooperate with the organisers as the event was planned to be an exclusive one, mainly comprising Puneeth's colleagues (including those from Tamil and Telugu industries). The entire event was telecast live on all prominent news channels.

Among the many dignitaries present was Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai who spoke dearly about the late actor and also announced a posthumous 'Karnataka Ratna' award owing to Puneeth's cultural prominence in the State and also his many noble philanthropic endeavours.

'Karnataka Ratna' is the State's highest civilian honour and Puneeth Rajkumar becomes the second actor to feature in the elite list, along with his father Dr. Rajkumar who was awarded in 1992.

At the event, Puneeth's family members, members of the film industry and senior politicians in front rows held candles while others switched on the flashlights of their mobile phones as a mark of respect.

When images of Puneeth as a child were shown on the screen, elder brothers, actors Shivarajkumar and Raghavendra Rajkumar, could not hold back their tears. Actors Yash, Darshan, Jaggesh, Ramesh Aravind, V. Ravichandran, Umashree, Sudharani and Rachita Ram were some of the stalwarts from Sandalwood at the event. Big names from other film industries R. Sarathkumar, Shrikanth and Vishal too were present.

Titular head of erstwhile Mysore royal family Yaduveer Wadiyar told reporters, "We are all here to convey our condolences to the entire film fraternity. It is indeed a sad day. Very shocking that he left us all. His contribution towards film and society is tremendous. Alongside that, the few times I met him, his personality was always so humble and well-meaning. It is our duty to be here as a Kannadiga and convey our condolences."

Former CMs B.S. Yediyurappa and Siddharamaiah too spoke about their association with the 'Power Star.'

My biggest inspiration: Shivarajkumar

Calling his brother his biggest inspiration, an emotional Shivarajkumar, sang a few lines of 'Main shayar to nahin' from the movie 'Bobby' (1973). "We would always sing this song at all our parties," he said, controlling his tears. "He achieved so much in cinema at a young age. His other side of being involved in social service is equally inspiring. I will never believe he has left me," said Shivarajkumar.

A grieving Ashwini, Puneeth's wife, hardly gathered courage to watch tribute videos of her husband and left the event along with daughter Vanditha after Bommai's address.

Ace composer Gurukiran and lyricist Nagendra Prasad were main men behind soulful performances dedicated to the star. A heart-touching video of Puneeth's inspiring journey came in the poignant voice of actor Sudeep.

Ashwini breaks silence with a poignant letter

Taking to her Instagram yesterday, Ashwini Revanath shared a letter addressed to the fans who sent their love and support to the family of the deceased actor during the time of grief. She also admitted being in 'tears' after seeing many follow the late actor's footsteps and registered for eye donation. She wrote:

"The untimely death of Puneeth Rajkumar has been shocking not only to the family but also to the entire State of Karnataka. It is hard to imagine the extent of pain this loss would have brought on you, the fans who made him the 'Power Star'. Despite the pain that you have gone through, you have not lost your calm and not let any unpleasant incidents occur, ensuring a respectful farewell to Puneeth Rajkumar."

She continued, "It is with a heavy heart that I acknowledge the condolences from millions; not only cinephiles but people of all ages from India and abroad alike. I am in tears when I see thousands of you follow your dear Appu's path and register for eye donation. He will live on in these good deeds that you do by keeping him as an ideal and also in the zeal that his memory inspires in you. On behalf of our entire family, heartfelt gratitude to all the fans and every individual for your love and support."

WORD OF THE DAY

Camaraderie

Pronunciation: kahm-RAH-duh-ree.
Meaning: Camaraderie is a feeling of good friendship among the people in a group.
Origin: Camaraderie comes from French camarade, which is also the source of English's comrade, meaning "friend or associate." Camarade means "roommate," "companion," or "a group sleeping in one room." It is related to Latin camera, meaning "chamber."
Example: "What was amazing Sept. 26 was the camaraderie and devotion to the team that the golfers exhibited. These same players weekly go head to head on an individual basis but there were no grandstanders here, no sense that one golfer was better than another—just a team that could feel destiny in its grip...." — Kendall P. Stanley, The Gaylord (Michigan) Herald Times

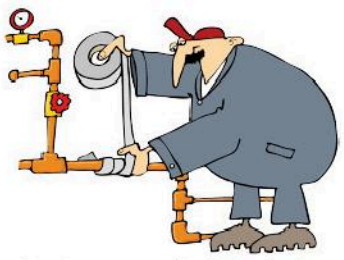
THE ODD WORD

Cacology

Bad choice of words or faulty pronunciation.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Cutting corners



Meaning: The phrase 'cutting corners' is defined when someone tries to do something as cheaply or as quickly as possible, often sacrificing quality.
Origin: This expression is often used by hunters. For example: The South Canterbury Hunt's Etiquette, Safety & Commonsense instructs riders: Follow the line that the hounds are taking, never 'cut corners' unless well behind where the hounds are working.
Example: "It is certainly not a sensible to cut corners on your children's education."

QUOTE BOX

When life hits you pretty hard, you can go into a dark corner.

—Sylvester Stallone

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: Back to square 1.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Fringe benefit
5 Wise old birds?
9 Ring result, for short
12 Our continent
13 Mob violence or uprising
14 Supplement
15 From that time onward
18 Spicy tomato sauce
19 Fencing sword
20 Alcoholic beverage
22 ____ out: Removes unwanted elements
26 Land of Nineveh
30 Loose altitude
31 Remains of anything burnt
32 Roentgenograms (1-4)
34 Meadow or grassland
35 An ancient Greek portico
37 Exhales violently
39 Refreshment booth
41 Fr. holy title
42 Internal as a prefix ?
45 Language you are most likely to hear in Chennai
49 Study of fossils
53 Choose or select
54 Actor Morales
55 Six cricket deliveries
56 Marked wrong
57 Light giver
58 Head of Paris

DOWN

1 Light touches or strokes
2 Ms Deol or Ms Gupta of Bollywood
3 Cambodian monetary unit
4 Dust in the Wind, rock group
5 Mineral from which metal may be extracted
6 The better half
7 Figure made by curved line crossing itself
8 Scatter or spread about over a surface?
9 Afternoon refresher
10 2014 IPL champions
11 British ref. book
16 Sepals collectively
17 Unwanted plant
21 Makes mistakes
23 Mystery writer ___ Stanley Gardner
24 Carries out
25 Place where there's a spring
26 Italian wine
27 Say this to make a creature go away
28 ___ Fleming : creator of James Bond?
29 Yes votes
31 Inquire of
33 Bout; hot contest (3-2)
36 On the briny
38 A fanatical person
40 Rest on the knees
43 Snack from the South
44 Kerala festival
46 Change position
47 _ __ it : I understood this? (1,3)
48 String instrument
49 Plague
50 Type of monkey
51 Limited in short?
52 Piece of advice

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

S	A	R	I	■	C	A	D	S	■	A	I	N
E	D	A	M	■	H	T	T	P	■	G	P	S
E	A	R	P	■	R	E	H	E	A	R	S	E
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R	E	R	U	N	■	L	O	S	■	I	O	N
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C	E	S	■	M	A	Y	■	B	A	G	E	L
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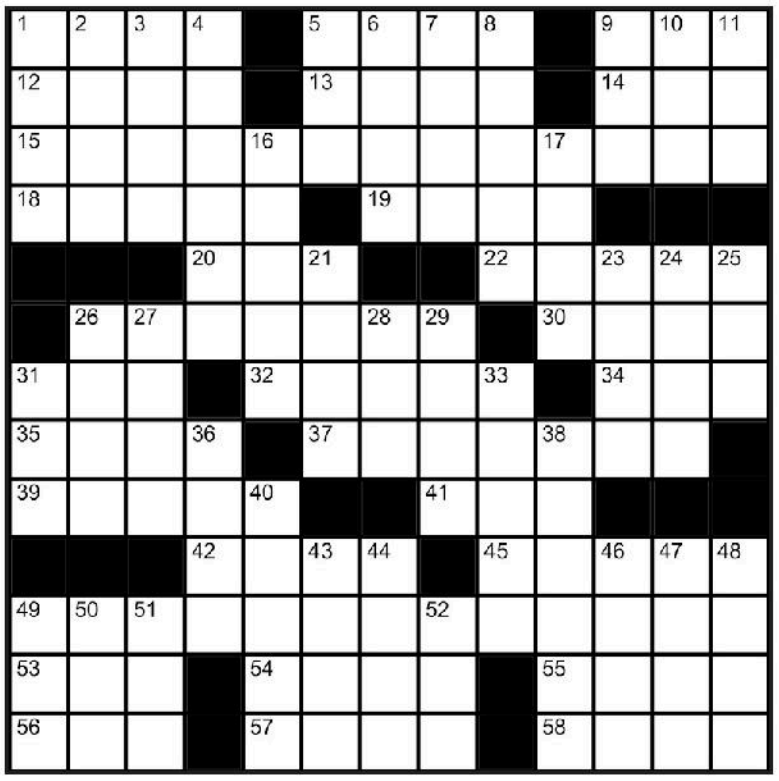

SUDOKU

				4	1			
		3	5	7		8		
	4						7	9
	8					3		6
	5			9			4	
7		9					2	
5	7						3	
		4		1	2	9		
			8	3				

Answer to previous puzzle

1	6	5	7	4	8	2	9	3
8	3	2	5	6	9	7	4	1
9	7	4	3	1	2	8	5	6
5	9	7	8	2	3	6	1	4
3	4	6	1	5	7	9	2	8
2	8	1	6	9	4	3	7	5
6	1	3	2	7	5	4	8	9
4	2	8	9	3	1	5	6	7
7	5	9	4	8	6	1	3	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

KZSZP LZMM G IGK CHE XGK PZGW VYI LVPHEUV GKW

LVPHEUV; IHTL NZHNMZ NPZOZP LH AZ LVHEUVL ZKYUIGT.

TODAY'S CLUE: N EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Life is a great big canvas; throw all the paint on it you can.

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Sooryavanshi (H)	(S-1)	10.05 am; (S-4) 9.55 pm
	(S-2)	1.10 pm, 4 pm, 6.50 pm
Kurup (Ta)	(S-1)	12.50 pm
Kurup (Ma)	(S-1)	6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
Annaatthe (Ta)	(S-1)	3.50 pm
Premam Poojyam (K)	(S-2)	9.40 am, 9.40 pm
	(S-3)	6.40 pm
Bhajarangi 2 (K)	(S-3)	10 am, 9.55 pm
	(S-4)	1.00 pm, 6.55 pm
Tom & Jerry (K)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Buy 1 Get 1 Free (K)	(S-3)	4.00 pm
Eternals (3D-E)	(S-4)	10.00 am, 4.00 pm

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Tom & Jerry (K)	(S-4)	11.30 am
Kurup (Ma)	(S-3)	6.10 pm; (S-4) 2.25 pm
Premam Poojyam (K)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 5.50 pm
	(S-3)	9.35 pm
Sooryavanshi (H)	(S-2)	10 am, 3.50 pm, 6.50, 9.55 pm
Annaatthe (Ta)	(S-4)	9.25 pm
Buy 1 Get 1 Free (K)	(S-2)	1.00 pm
Bhajarangi 2 (K)	(S-3)	2.45 pm
	(S-4)	11.10 am, 6.00 pm
Eternals (3D-E)	(S-1)	2.15 pm, 9.45 pm

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Annaatthe (Ta)	:	3.00 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.40 pm
Tom & Jerry (K)	:	2.35 pm, 9.45 pm
Kurup (Ma)	:	9 am, 2.55 pm, 6.05, 9.45 pm
Kurup (Ta)	:	6.25 pm
Sooryavanshi (H)	:	9.40 am, 11.30 am, 12.45 pm 3.50 pm, 6.55, 9.30 pm, 10 pm
Eternals (3D-E)	:	11.45 am, 6.25 pm
Venom (E)	:	12.30 pm

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Bhajarangi 2 (K)	:	2.50 pm, 9.40 pm
Annaatthe (Ta)	:	11.35 am
Buy 1 Get 1 Free (K)	:	3.20 pm
Premam Poojyam (K)	:	2.23 pm, 6.15 pm, 10.00 pm
Sooryavanshi (H)	:	12.15 pm, 3.20 pm 6.25 pm, 9.30 pm
Eternals (3D-E)	:	3.00 pm, 9.40 pm
Tom & Jerry (K)	:	11.25 am
Kurup (Ma)	:	9.00 am

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	(S-2)	9.30 pm; (S-4) 1.45 pm
Tom & Jerry (K)	(S-1)	1.50 pm; (S-2) 6.30 pm
Bhajarangi 2 (K)	(S-1)	9.30 pm
	(S-4)	10.45 am, 4.45 pm
Buy 1 Get 1 Free (K)	(S-2)	11.00 am, 3.30 pm
Premam Poojyam (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am, 2.15 pm, 6 pm, 9.30 pm
Annaatthe (Ta)	(S-4)	7.45 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

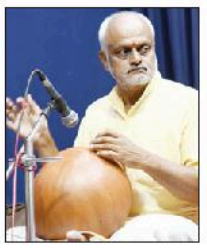
Two-day 'Veena Utsava' at Ganabharathi

Vidu. Suma Sudhindra

Vidu. Bhagyalaksmi Chandrashekar

Vid. Mattur Srinidhi

Vid. Ravishankar



Vid. Ramanujam

Vid. Sridhar

Vid. Srinidhi

Mysuru, Nov. 17- Ganabharathi has organised a two-day 'Veena Utsava' (Veena Festival) in memory of Veene Seshanna at its premises on Adichunchanagiri Road in Kuvempunagar here on Nov. 19 and 20 at 6 pm.

Nov. 19: Veena concert by Vidu. Suma Sudhindra accompanied by Vid. Mattur Srinidhi on violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on ghata.

Nov. 20: Veena recital by Vidu. Bhagyalaksmi Chandrashekar accompanied by Vid. B.R. Sridhar on mridanga and Vid. Srinidhi R. Koundinya on ghata.

For details, call Mob: 94480-51564, according to a press release from Ganabharathi.

City girl excels in State Badminton Championship

Diya Bheemaiah, a student of Pragathi Elite Public School (PEPS), Bogadi, participated in the Badminton State Championship held at Mandya and won 3rd prize in Singles and emerged Runner-up in Mixed Doubles and Doubles. She is seen with (from left) Administrator Karthik V. Kashyap, Principal Shilpa Prashanth and Administrative Director Jayashri Venkatesh.

'The Best Cyclist Men' awardee

Charith Gowda, a first PUC student of Sapient College, Vijayanagar II Stage in city, has bagged 'The Best Cyclist Men' award by securing three Gold Medals — Time Trial, Mass Start and Relay Categories — in the 18th National Mountain Bike Cycling Championships held at Alandi in Pune, Maharashtra, between Oct. 29 and Oct. 31.

EVENTS TODAY (NOV. 17)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Bombe Mane - Doll expo, Nazarbad, **up to 7.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV. 18)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Bombe Mane - Doll expo, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**
- **Nrityagiri Performing Arts & Research Centre:** Workshop titled 'Shastravalokana — An Insight into the Dance Theory' for Bharatanatyam students appearing for Music and Dance exam to be conducted by Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board, KSGH Music and Performing Arts University Vice-Chancellor Prof. Nagesh V. Bettakote inaugurates the workshop, Kannada and Culture Assistant Director H. Chennappa chief guest, Ganabharathi President Dr. Rama V. Bennur presides, **5 pm;** Dr. K. Kumar talks on 'Characteristics of Nayaka and Nayaki, Chaturvidha Abhinaya,' Nrityagiri Centre, Preethi Layout, Srirampura 3rd Stage, **5.30 pm to 7 pm.** [Mob: 94487-70741]

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